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Mr. Shawn M. Garvin Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street (Mail Code: 3RA00) Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029 DEC 8 9 2010

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Dear Mr. Garvin:

Pursuant to Section 107(d) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), enclosed are the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's designation recommendations pertinent to the 1-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on January 22, 2010. The final rule, which establishes a 1-hour standard of 100 parts per billion, was published in the *Federal Register* on February 9, 2010 (74 *Fed. Reg.* 6474).

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania currently has 18 NO₂ monitors operating statewide. Using the 2007-2009 data currently available, none of those monitors is showing a design value that exceeds the NO₂ NAAQS. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) recommends that the following five areas be designated as attainment: Berks County, Cambria County, Centre County, Erie County, and York County, based on the 2007-2009 design values; no additional monitoring sites are required in these counties. In addition, DEP recommends that the remaining areas of Pennsylvania be designated as "unclassifiable/attainment." Please refer to the enclosed Tables 1 and 2 pertaining to the NO₂ NAAQS design values (expressed in parts per billion) and county-by-county recommendations, respectively. The submittal also includes the documentation for the requisite certified monitoring data.

We understand that EPA will also provide notice of any modifications to Pennsylvania's recommendations at least 120 days prior to issuing final designations. We look forward to working with you and your staff during the development of the final designations for the short-term NO₂ NAAQS in this Commonwealth.

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Division Director (3AP00)

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of our recommendations. Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact Joyce E. Epps, Director of the Bureau of Air Quality, by e-mail at jeepps@state.pa.us or by telephone at 717-787-9702.

Sincerely,

John Hanger

Secretary

Enclosures

Table 1

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania NO₂ Design Values in parts per billion 3-Year Averages of Annual 98th Percentiles 2007-2009 County Site Name **AQS** Code Allegheny (ACHD) 42-003-1005 Harrison Twp 48 Allegheny (ACHD) **BAPC** 54 42-003-0008 **Beaver Falls** 43 Beaver 42-007-0014 Reading Airport 37* **Berks** 42-011-0011 **Bucks Bristol** 42-017-0012 44 Cambria 42-021-0011 42 **Johnstown** State College 42-027-0100 35* Centre Dauphin Harrisburg 42-043-0401 45 Delaware Chester 42-045-0002 51 42-049-0003 Erie Erie 45 Lackawanna Scranton 42-069-2006 46 Lancaster Lancaster 42-071-0007 40 Northampton Freemansburg 42-095-0025 42 **Perry County** Perry 22 42-099-0301 Philadelphia (AMS) Lab 42-101-0004 58 Philadelphia (AMS) **Broad** 42-101-0047 58 Washington Charleroi 42-125-0005 40 York York 42-133-0008 50

^{*} incomplete data

Table 2
Pennsylvania's County-by-County Designation Recommendations for the
1-Hour NO₂ National Ambient Air Quality Standards

Pennsylvania Counties	Current NO2 2007-2009 Design Value (ppb)	Required location for new monitor	Recommended Designation
Adams County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Allegheny County	51	Pittsburgh MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Armstrong County	N/A	Pittsburgh MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Beaver County	43	Pittsburgh MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Bedford County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Berks County	37*		Attainment
Blair County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Bradford County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Bucks County	44	Philadelphia MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Butler County	N/A	Pittsburgh MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Cambria County	42		Attainment
Cameron County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Carbon County	N/A	Allentown MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Centre County	35		Attainment
Chester County	N/A	Philadelphia MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Clarion County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Clearfield County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Clinton County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Columbia County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Crawford County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Cumberland County	N/A	Harrisburg MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Dauphin County	45	Harrisburg MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Delaware County	51	Philadelphia MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Elk County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Erie County	45		Attainment
Fayette County	N/A	Pittsburgh MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Forest County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Franklin County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Fulton County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Greene County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Huntingdon County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Indiana County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment

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Pennsylvania Counties	Current NO2 2007-2009 Design Value (ppb)	Required location for new monitor	Recommended Designation
Jefferson County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Juniata County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lackawanna County	46	Scranton MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lancaster County	40	Lancaster MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lawrence County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lebanon County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lehigh County	N/A	Allentown MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Luzerne County	N/A	Scranton MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Lycoming County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
McKean County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Mercer County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Mifflin County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Monroe County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Montgomery County	N/A	Philadelphia MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Montour County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Northampton County	42	Allentown MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Northumberland County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Perry County	22	Harrisburg MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Philadelphia County	58	Philadelphia MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Pike County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Potter County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Schuylkill County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Snyder County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Somerset County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Sullivan County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Susquehanna County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Tioga County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Union County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Venango County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Warren County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Washington County	40	Pittsburgh MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Wayne County	N/A		Unclassifiable/Attainment
Westmoreland County	N/A	Pittsburgh MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
Wyoming County	N/A	Scranton MSA	Unclassifiable/Attainment
York County	50		Attainment

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